Our Pension Roll.

One year ago there were 676,160 names on our pension roll. By the close of the present fiscal year, ending with the present month, there will be about 873,000 names on the pension roll, or quite as many as the entire force of Grant's armies at the close of the war.

We are now issuing new pensions at the rate of nearly or quite 20,000 per month, and by the close of the coming fiscal year the pension roll will reach 1,000,000, with the probability that that number will be exceeded. In short, we are likely soon to have on our pension roll more names than were on the entire army roll when Lee surrendered at Appomattox.

Some seven years after the close of the war, when the pension appropriafield, Chairman of Appropriations, in pensions, felt called upon to appolegize for the unexpected increase and assured the House and country, that the pension appropriation had reached its highest point and that it would be speedily decreased.

Five years ago the steady growth of pensions scored the annual appropriation up to \$75,000,000. It was then believed that high-water mark had been reached, and such assurances were then given to the country by those but the actual expenditure for pensions this year foots up the startling sum of \$140,847.417, being nearly three times the amount of the entire revenues of the government when Lincoln was elected President.

If we shall continue to increase pensions during the next fiscal year as they have been increased this year, we will have fully 1,000,000 pensioners, costing nearly or quite \$200,000,000 annually. We will be paying more pensioners than were ever in the Union armies at any time during the war. and yet hundreds of thousands have died and other hundreds of thousands have never applied for a pension.

The natural inquiry is - Where do all the pensioners come from? Who can answer that question? The next natural inquiry is-Where is the pension prolligacy to stop? Who can answer quiry likely to come up from the peo-- Philadelphia Times.

Democratic Committee Meeting.

fronton, Mo., May 7th, 1892. The Iron county Democratic Committee met pursuant to call, W. R. Edgar in the chair.

After due consideration, and, on motion, it was decided to hold a primary election for the nomination of county officers, to be held under the new primary election law, July 30th, 1892. Resolved. That none but known Democrats or such others as pledge themseives to vote for and support the nominces of said election shall be allowed to vote at this Primary; two (2) judges and two (2) clerks be placed at each precinct, the judges to select their own

On motion, it was held that each candidate pay an assessment of ten dollars (\$10.00) each to defray the expenses of said Primary; that amount to Secretary of Committee, on or before July 12th, 1892. The name of no candidate will be placed upon the election ticket unless the above assessment is paid by the date named.

Resolved, That the Chairman, W. R. Edgar and the Secretary, W. H. Byers, for Wheat and Corn. Address be made a committee to have the poll books, tally sheets and tickets made orders to and printed in due time for above named Primary Election.

The following Judges of Election were named for their respective pre-

Lucy.

I olk—Chas. K. Polk and Chas. Miller.

Big Creek—Geo. Lewis and J. H. Sutton Ironton-A. P. Vance and H. B. Jones, Pilot Knob-Dan'i O'Donnell and J. W. Middlebrook - Thos. Hill and M. Seitz. Graniteuille - John Welle and Ben Kidd. Belleview - S. E. Buford and James N.

Kaolin-James H. Campbell and Wm. Im-Bells-Tillman Terry and Henry Wester-Lores-Wyatt King and Dollerson Love. Henderson-James McMahon and Nelson

No further business coming before the Committee adjourned until June W. R. EDGAR, 18th, 1892. W. H. BYERS. Secretary.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Notice of Letters. Notice is hereby given, that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Henry Elsman, late of Iron county, deceased, have been granted to the un-dersigned, J. T. Ake, by the Judge of Probate Court of the Courty of Iron, bearing date the 18th day of May, 1892. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance with-in one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this not-

ice, they will be furever barred.

J. T. AKE, Administrator. Administrators' Notice. Notice is hereby given, that Lefters Tes-

mentary upon the estate of Hugh M. Bradley, late of Iron county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, Margaret B. Bradley, by the Probate Court of the County of Iron, bearing date the 5th day of May, 1892. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred

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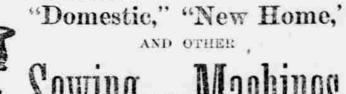
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